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To

The Additional Chief Secretary to Government of Karnataka,
Forest, Ecology & Environment Department,
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Bangalore – 560 001.

Subject: Diversion of 7.562 ha. of forest land in Sy.No.50/1, Mannerala village and Sy.No.70/1, 70/2, 70/3, 71, 73 and 89 of Mavinaitagi village, Hanamasagara Hobli, Kushtagi Taluk, Koppal District for construction of 400 KV Quad DC Transmission Line in favour of M/s. Koppal-Narendra Transmission Ltd, ReNew Hub, Commercial Block-1, Zone-6, Sector-43, DLF Phase-V, Gurugram, Haryana. (Online Proposal No. FP/KA/TRANS/152682/2022) - reg.

Sir,

Please refer to the State Government's letters No. FEE 33 FLL 2023 (e) dated 21/06/2023, 21/06/2023 and 18/07/2023 seeking prior approval of the Central Government in accordance with Section'2' of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 in respect of the above project. The in-principle (Stage-I) approval to the project was accorded by the Central Government vide letter of even number dated 2nd August, 2023. The State Government vide letter No.FEE 33 FFM 2023 (e) dated 23/07/2025 and 02/12/2025 have reported compliance to the conditions stipulated by the Central Government in the in-principle approval.

After careful consideration of the proposal of the State Government, I am directed to convey Central Government's final approval (Stage-II) under Section '2(1)' of Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980 for diversion of 7.562 ha. of forest land in Sy.No.50/1, Mannerala village and Sy.No.70/1, 70/2, 70/3, 71, 73 and 89 of Mavinaitagi village, Hanamasagara Hobli, Kushtagi Taluk, Koppal District for construction of 400 KV Quad DC Transmission Line in favour of M/s. Koppal-Narendra Transmission Ltd, ReNew Hub, Commercial Block-1, Zone-6, Sector-43, DLF Phase-V, Gurugram, Haryana, subject to the following conditions:-

1. The legal status of forest land shall remain unchanged.
2. The boundary of the diverted forest land shall be suitably demarcated on ground at the project cost as per the directions of concerned Divisional Forest Officer.
3. The Compensatory Afforestation shall be raised over 15.148 ha. of degraded forest land i.e 2.087 ha in Sy.No.7 and 13.061 ha. in Sy.No.26 of Hosur village, Hirahatti/Shirahatti Taluk,

Gadag District, within two years from the date of Stage –II Clearance and maintained thereafter by the State Forest Department at the cost of the User Agency and at least 1000 plants per hectare shall be planted over identified degraded forest land within two years of grant of final approval.

4. The user agency shall restrict the felling of trees to minimum number in the area proposed for diversion i.e. 132 trees approximately as informed by the User Agency and the trees shall be felled under strict supervision of State forest Department.
5. The KML file of the area diverted and compensatory afforestation area shall be uploaded on the e-green watch portal with all requisite details before issue of final approval by the State Government.
6. Additional amount of the Net Present Value (NPV) of the diverted forest land if any, becoming due after revision of the same by the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India in future, shall be charged by the State Government from the user agency
7. The period of diversion under this approval shall be co-terminus with the period of lease to be granted in favour of the user agency or the project life, whichever is less.
8. No labour camp shall be established on the forest land.
9. No additional or new path will be constructed inside the forest area for transportation of construction materials for execution of the project work.
10. Sufficient firewood, preferably the alternate fuel, shall be provided by the User Agency to the labourer after purchasing the same from the State Forest Department or the Forest Development Corporation or any other legal source of alternate fuel.
11. The user agency at its cost shall provide bird deflectors, which are to be fixed on upper conductor of transmission line at suitable intervals to avoid bird hits.
12. The User Agency shall comply with the guidelines for laying transmission lines through forest areas issued by Ministry vide letter No.7-25/2012-FC dated 05/05/2014 & 19/11/2014.
13. Plantation of dwarf species (preferably medicinal plants) in the right of way under the transmission line shall be taken up at the cost of the User Agency.
14. The forest land shall not be used for any purpose other than that specified in the project proposal.
15. The forest land proposed to be diverted shall under no circumstances be transferred to any other agency, department or person without prior approval of the Central Government.
16. No damage to the flora and fauna of the adjoining area shall be caused.
17. User Agency shall obtain the Environmental Clearance as per the provisions of the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986, if applicable.
18. The layout plan of the proposal shall not be changed without the prior approval of the Central Government.
19. The total forest area utilized for the project shall not exceed 7.562 ha.
20. The concerned Divisional Forest Officer will monitor and take necessary mitigative measures to ensure that there is no adverse impact on the forests in the surrounding area.
21. The User Agency shall submit the annual self-compliance report in respect of the above

stated conditions to the State Government and Integrated Regional Office, Bengaluru by the end of March every year.

22. Any other condition that the Central Government may stipulate from time to time in the interest of conservation, protection and development of Forest and Wildlife.

23. The State Government and user agency shall comply the provisions of the all Acts, Rules, Regulations, Guidelines, NGT order & Hon'ble Court Order (s) pertaining to this project, if any, for the time being in force, as applicable to the project.

24. The conditions required to be adhered under the Forests Right Act, 2006 as per the guidelines issued under Van (Sanrakshan Eevam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980 shall be strictly complied with.

25. Violation of any of these conditions will amount to violation of Van (Sanrakshan Eevam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980 and action would be taken as prescribed under the Act, Rules and Guidelines relevant.

Yours faithfully,

(Jayakrishnan VK)
Asst. Inspector General of Forests (Central)

Copy to:-

1. The Chief Executive Officer, National Compensatory Afforestation Fund Management and Planning Authority, Ministry of Environment Forests & Climate Change, 3rd Floor (Front Portion), Supreme Court Metro Station Building (Line-3), New Delhi-110 001.
2. The Inspector General of Forests (ROHQ Division), Govt. of India, Ministry of Environment, Forests and Climate Change, Indira Paryavaran Bhavan, Agni Wing, Aliganj, Jor Bagh Road, New Delhi – 110 003.
3. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (HoFF), Forests Department, Govt. of Karnataka, Aranya Bhavan, 18th Cross, Malleswaram, Bengaluru – 560 003.
The Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (VSESA) / Nodal Officer (VSESA), Office of the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Forests Department, Govt. of Karnataka, Aranya Bhavan, 18th Cross, Malleswaram, Bengaluru – 560 003.
4. The Chief Executive Officer, State CAMPA, office of the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Forests Department, Govt. of Karnataka, Aranya Bhavan, 18th Cross, Malleswaram, Bangalore – 560 003.
5. M/s. Koppal-Narendra Transmission Ltd, ReNew Hub, Commercial Block-1, Zone-6, Sector-43, DLF Phase-V, Gurugram, Haryana -122 009.
6. Guard file.